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This application is abandoned in view of:		· •			
1 M Applicants failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office	e letter mailed on 26 January 2006				
 Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed on <u>26 January 2006</u>. A reply was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the period for reply (including a total extension of time of month(s)) which expired on 					
(b) ☐ A proposed reply was received on, but it does not constitute a proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 (a) to the final rejection.					
(A proper reply under 37 CFR 1.113 to a final rejection consists only of: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114).					
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(d) ☑ No reply has been received.					
2. Applicant's failure to timely pay the required issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, within the statutory period of three months from the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).					
(a) The issue fee and publication fee, if applicable, was received on (with a Certificate of Mailing or Transmission dated), which is after the expiration of the statutory period for payment of the issue fee (and publication fee) set in the Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85).					
(b) ☐ The submitted fee of \$ is insufficient. A balance of \$ is due.					
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6. The decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interfer of the decision has expired and there are no allowed claim		se the period for seeking court review			
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Confirmed that no response was filed to the last office action mailed 01/26/06, during a telephone interview with Mark D. Elchuk (Reg. No. 33,686) on 12/11/06 CHRIS KELLEY					
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